



BEDFORD TOWNSHIP THE TOWNSHIP UPDATE

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8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday-Friday

**TOWNSHIP OFFICES WILL
BE CLOSED FOR THE
FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS**

- New Year's Day
- Martin Luther King's Birthday
- President's Day
- Good Friday (afternoon)
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Veteran's Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Friday following Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- New Year's Eve



From The Supervisor's Desk

By: Walt Wilburn
Bedford Township
Supervisor

State of the Township 2010

"We all knew that 2010 was going to be a different year than those past, however, looking back it was a pretty good year in many areas."

First of all we have **NEW BUSINESSES** opening in Bedford in 2010. **Masserants Feed, O'Reilly's Auto Parts** and a **Go Dollar Store** opened in Lambertville. **Family Medical Center** put on an 18,000 square foot addition in Temperance, **Fischer Tool and Die** is in the process of adding 35,000 square feet of expansion, and the **Sunoco Station** at the corner of Temperance Road and Lewis Avenue re-opened under new management. Also **Fire Station #3** on Lewis Avenue was renovated and bays plus administration offices were added.

Then **ROADS** for this past year were as follows: A new bridge on Sterns Road between Secor and Summerfield Roads. Top seal at the corner of Jackman and Smith Roads, Lewis Avenue from the Railroad tracks to Pickard Road, a small strip on Sterns Road from South Telegraph Road to Erie Road. Crack seal on Sterns Road between Douglas and Jackman Roads, and some patching on Summerfield Road and also at the corner of Dean and Secor Roads. These were all very helpful projects.

The **TOWNSHIP BOARD** worked to reduce costs by putting in place a new Retiree Health Plan and a new Employee Health Care Plan. A change in the laws brought about both of these changes.

Comparing 2009 to 2010 we expect the **HOME FORCLOSURES** to show an increase by a small amount. The bank sales of the foreclosed homes were almost even in 2009, but 2010 shows the sales by the banks down considerably, although reports from local Realtors are positive.

MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE showed an increase in students in 2010 while there was a slight decline in enrollment for Bedford Public Elementary Schools. *A sign of the times...*

Bedford Township is a unique community in that we go all out for **EVENTS**. This past year we have hosted the **Relay for Life** (sixth year) and raised more funds than last year. Every year so far we have beaten our last year's record. Our five **CHARITY CRUISES** held through the summer benefitted 5 charities and had so many cars we may have to expand the Kroger parking lot. And as I'm sure all of you have heard, Rebecca Regnier and her committee won the **PEPSI REFRESH GRANT** to build a weight room for Bedford High School. \$250,000 is whole lot money to not have to pay back!!!!

ON THE HORIZON for next year - (1) we have formed a committee of community organizations to purchase and maintain ten (10) defibrillators to be placed in the schools and the police cars. (2) we are negotiating a new water contract with the city of Toledo. (3) The new cemetery at the corner of Lewis Avenue and Samaria Road

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The Bedford Township Hall Staff would like to wish all our residents a very Blessed Holiday Season. Be sure to add all of our women and men serving in the Armed Services to your prayer list this season!

will be ready for pre-sales by late spring next year. That's just a few things that are already in progress for next year.

OH YES! Just one more thing... "How about them Mules" with a 9-0 season. Never before in the history of Bedford has our football team had a perfect **REGULAR SEASON**. *Go Bedford.....*

Have A Truly Great Holiday Season!

BEDFORD BRANCH LIBRARY NEWS

By: Lois White, Bedford Branch Librarian

This has been a very exciting year at the library. We are approaching 10,000 people from community groups and organizations using our facility to hold their meetings. When we built this building six years ago, we had no idea what the community needs would be for a meeting place. Another addition this year is RFID which is a user friendly checkout system. Patrons are loving the ease of checkout and staff is excited about the flexibility it gives us to help patrons find more information by being out on the floor to assist them.

As the holidays approach stop in to see our **Hall of Trees** display by many groups, clubs and businesses from our community. The building always looks so festive. They will be on display December 6 thru January 8. The **Disney Christmas Carol** film will be featured on Tuesday, December 21 at 6:00 p.m. for families to enjoy.

Teen Activities: Do you have a teen in your life looking to help the community and perhaps win a little something for themselves? They can help wrap gifts for seniors who live at the Ivor Lindsay housing complex. They will be wrapping on December 14, from 2:30-4:30 — wrap the most and the best, win a prize! Prizes given out to first, second and third place winners. Refreshments will be provided. **The Anime Club Holiday Party** — Join us for the holiday feast, white elephant, holiday animes and more on Friday December 17 from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Bring your video games, board games, cards and RPGS on December 10 for **Game Night**. All ages are welcome! This is an ongoing program and we meet the second Friday of each month from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Adult Activities: MI Works continues to partner with the Monroe County Library System at the Bedford Branch on Thursdays from 9 am to 12 p.m. Registration not necessary - just stop in to see what jobs are available and talk with a representative.

Bedford Computer Forum: This is an open computer class where attendees are invited to hone their skills, ask questions, and learn something new about technology. You are welcome to bring your own laptops or other devices you want some help with. Mini-topics will be discussed each month if time allows. Please register online or call the branch.

As the New Year approaches, let's all resolve to read more. What better way is there to encourage yourself to read than by joining a Book Club? The Bedford Branch has the perfect club for every member of the community. Participants read each month's selected title prior to the meeting and then the group discusses the book.

Our **children's clubs** meet on the third Saturday of the month. Third graders meet at 11:00 am, fourth-sixth at noon, and our **Pirate School Club** for 5-7 year olds meet at 1:00 pm.

For more information call **Kare**

Moore, Children's Librarian at the library. For adults, we have the **Alternative Book Club** that meets on the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. This is an unconventional club that reads quirky, edgy titles. Many college-aged adults attend but attendance is open to any adult. For a more traditional experience, we have



the **AM Book Club** which meets on the first Thursday of the month at 10:30 a.m., our **Evening Book Club**, which meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., and our **Girl's Night Out** club, which meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. For more information or to register for an adult club, consult the library's events calendar at <http://calendar.monroe.lib.mi.us> or call the Bedford Branch Library at **(734) 847-6747**.

Friends News: Remember, we have great shopping opportunities in the book sale room. Many of our donations are in very good condition and are suitable for gift-giving. Please mark you calendars if you are interested in hearing author **Jennifer Chiaverini** speak at the library on April 13 at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Tickets will be available after the first of the year for **\$10** and this program is sponsored by the Friends. The popular **Friends Travel Series** is again being planned for February and March. Check the library website for dates.

On February 14, **The Keller Brothers** will be performing their beautiful romantic arias, ballads and more. Bring your significant other to enjoy a relaxing Valentine's evening with three mesmerizing voices. The Keller Brothers have performed all over the U.S.; including shows with the Cleveland Pops Orchestra, the Jay Leno Show and many others. CDs will be available for purchase after the show. Registration is required and may be done by calling the branch or online at <http://calendar.monroe.lib.mi.us>. And, as always, many other programs are scheduled. Please check our calendar for more information.

The Bedford Staff would like to wish the community **Happy Holidays and a Prosperous New Year!** □



The Clerk's Corner

By: Bob Schockman
Bedford Township Clerk

ELECTION NEWS

It has been a while since I have addressed the permanent absentee list issue, so I believe it's a good time to do so. Bedford Township has a list of permanent absentees. Residents on this list automatically receive an **ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION** and return envelope approximately 6 weeks to 2 months before every election. If the resident wants to receive an absentee ballot, they must mark the form with the reason they are making the request, sign and date the form, then return it to my office in the envelope we supply. When I receive the ballots for that election, those ballots are automatically sent out to everyone who has returned their application.

In order to be on the permanent absentee list, you must meet certain criteria. You must be 60 years of age or older, or be unable to leave your home to vote due to disability. If you are interested in being included on the permanent absentee list, you must request to do so. You can either call my office, **734.847.6791, ext 134** and request to be added to the list, or complete the form below and return it to my office at: **Bedford Township Hall, P. O. Box H, Temperance, MI 48182, Attn: Clerk's Dept.**

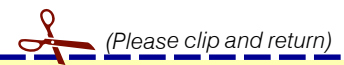
I do believe we are all glad the November 2010 election is finished—no more “robo” phone calls, campaign ads on the TV & radio, or our mail boxes stuffed with campaign information or misinformation. Maybe we'll have a little peace and quiet from campaigning for a while. The only election scheduled for 2011 is a school election in May, in which residents will have the opportunity to elect or re-elect 1 or 2 school board members.

On the November 2nd Election Day, my office received many calls asking where to go to vote, what the polling hours are, and if they were registered to vote. While we are glad to take your call and

answer your questions, you can also get this information by computer. Simply type in to your browser, **Michigan.gov/vote** which will get you to the state's website. On that site, by inputting the information requested (your name and birth date or DL number and birth date), you can find out if you're registered to vote, where you're registered to vote, what your precinct location is and even a map showing you where that precinct location is. This site will also show you a copy of the ballot you will be voting, if an election is scheduled. You also should have a voter ID card, listing your precinct location, in your wallet.

Many voters were also concerned that their polling location had been changed since the last time they had voted. I want to assure you all that I have not changed **any** polling locations since before the November 2008 election, nor do I have any plans to do so in the near future. If a polling location has to be changed for some reason, Michigan election law states it cannot be done less than 180 days before an election unless it's an emergency situation whereby the current location is rendered unusable (*fire, storm, etc.*). If a polling location is changed, you are notified by receiving a new voter ID card in the mail, and by articles in the local newspapers (*as well as this quarterly newsletter*). I make every effort to make sure every voter is aware of upcoming elections and where they can go to vote. I strongly believe that voting is a privilege and responsibility that every citizen should exercise.

In closing, I would like to thank my staff, the township's maintenance department, and all of the great election inspectors and chairmen that worked a long hard day on November 2, making sure that Bedford Township residents had the opportunity to vote in the election.



ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION

Name (please print): _____ Birth Date: _____

Address: _____

Yes, please put me on the permanent absentee list for Bedford Township, due to either my age or disability. (check one)

Signature: _____

Assessing Department Update

By: Chris Renius, CMAE 3, Bedford Township Assessor

Using Your Recent Refinance or Mortgage Appraisal to Contest your Assessment

With interest rates at historic lows, now may seem to be a good time to refinance your current mortgage or even purchase a new home. Once your transaction is complete, you have a copy of an appraisal that was completed for the transaction and wonder why the appraisal you just paid money for does not match the current assessment as determined by the Township Assessing Department and you feel that your appraisal is better than the assessment set by the Township. However, your appraisal's valuation is most likely based upon many different criteria than the criteria mandated by the State Tax Commission to be used by the assessing department for mass appraisal purposes.

For the appraisal to refinance your mortgage, the appraiser likely will use sales that have taken place within the past six months and are in close proximity to your home, if possible. So if you were to have an appraisal with an effective date of December 1, 2010 the appraisal would most likely consider sales from June 1, 2010 forward.

In the assessment process, we determine each assessment on tax day, December 31, of any year. That means that for the 2011 assessments, Tax day is December 31, 2010. The timeframe we use to determine those assessments is from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. By the time you receive your assessment notice in early March, the sales we have used to determine that assessment are already at least 6 months old and some could be as old as 18 months, which is a large difference in time compared to what your appraiser used. Because of this timeframe, if some sales occur near the beginning of our one-year study in our currently

downward market, our assessments are tempered by older data which could cause the assessments to be up to 18 months behind what is actually happening in the market when you receive your assessment notice.

When you have an appraisal of your property, the appraiser must state the intended use of the appraisal and that any use other than the intended use is not allowed. That appraisal only gives an estimate of market value based upon the intended use i.e. Mortgage transaction for purchase, refinance, etc. If we receive an appraisal and it states that the intended use is for Property Assessment Appeal purposes, it will carry far more weight than an appraisal with any other intended use because the comparables and timelines would resemble that of an assessment timeline. An appraiser would not testify based on their appraisal in a Michigan Tax Tribunal Appeal if the evidence that you submitted was their appraisal that they prepared for a refinance transaction but you were trying to use it for property assessment appeal purposes. An appraiser that took that action would be in violation of USPAP, or Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice, which is the ethics standard in Appraising and Assessing real estate.

The Township assessing information is available on the Township web site at www.befordmi.org. If you need a copy of the physical drawing of your home, map, etc. that is not available online, you can obtain the information from the Assessing Department. There is no charge for information on your own property. The Assessing Department's hours are from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday thru Friday except for holidays. □

BEDFORD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE Bare Perspective

Winter is a great time to evaluate your landscaping and gardens. First, are they providing enough interest during the winter months? Great garden design enhances your house and property year round. Second, do your gardens have good "bones"? Gardens need good basic structure and there is no better time to look at this than now, when your yard is relatively bare.

If your summer gardens are filled only with herbaceous perennials and annuals, consider adding some shrubs and small trees that can be grown in their natural forms. Or think about ornamental hardscaping such as tuteurs and trellises on which to grow vines, or perhaps an outdoor sculpture. Not only do they create some winter interest, but also provide solid bones for the garden, which leaves and flowers will later flesh out.

In winter you can also clearly see the branches of trees and shrubs and late winter is generally a good time to prune. Concentrate on eliminating dead wood and crossing or injured branches, or thinning to produce a more open, graceful habit. Note, however, that for spring blooming woody plants, if you prune back hard at this time to control size, you will be eliminating flower buds. □



Dollar\$ & Sense

By: Sherri S. Meyer
Bedford Township
Treasurer

2010 Winter Tax Bills

It is hard to believe another year has passed and it is time to mail the 2010 Winter Tax bills. The winter tax bills can be paid from December 1, 2010 through February 14, 2011 without penalty.

2010 Summer Tax Bills

If your 2010 Summer Tax Bill is delinquent, there is now interest due. Please call the Treasurer's Department at 734.847.6791 ext. 142 for the correct amount to pay.

If You File The 1040 CR

If you are a senior citizen, paraplegic, quadriplegic, hemiplegic, eligible service person, eligible veteran, eligible widow or widower, or are totally and permanently disabled or blind you may be able to delay paying your winter taxes on your homestead until April 30, 2011. You **MUST** file the 1040CR and file a copy with the Treasurer's office by February 14, 2011.

Help will be available to Seniors who file the 1040 CR on the following days:

-TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS-
January 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 and 26, 2011
February 1, 2, 8 and 9, 2011

Please bring proof of income: Social Security statement, pension income, interest income and/or proof of any other type of income you may have.

Where Can I Pay My Taxes?

You may pay your taxes at Fifth Third Bank in Lambertville, Citizens Bank in Temperance, at Bedford Government Center inside or at the Drive Thru Window, by mail, or use the Drop Slot on the South side of our building.

Partial Payments Are Accepted

We do accept partial payments on tax bills. If you cannot pay the whole amount, you may pay part of your bill in December, part in January, and part in February, or however you would like to make the payments. Sometimes it is helpful to pay part of the bill rather than the whole bill all at once.

MEET THE TOWNSHIP HALL STAFF

(Each issue we will spotlight a different staff member in alphabetical order)



Kim Pollins

Years employed at Township Hall: I have worked at the Township Hall for 3½ years.

Township Department: I work in the Clerk's Office.

How long have you lived in Bedford Township: I have lived in Bedford Township for 13½ years.

Favorite thing about Bedford Township: Bedford is big enough to have a variety of things to do but not too big to lose the neighborly feeling!

Retirement Dream: My dream is moving to Florida and walking on the beach daily.

What would you like people to know about you: I really care about people and I would like to make a difference for the positive. My kids think I should run for President because I can keep a tight budget and I would help people.

Bedford Township Flood Plain Facts

For most Bedford residents, thoughts of flood disasters are probably the last thing on most minds. Yet, floods can and do happen in our relatively flat community. Bedford is crisscrossed by many public and private drains and creeks. Most of these drainage ways are natural and some are manmade. During periods of heavy rain, this drainage system can become overloaded, and floodwaters often spill over the banks. The most severe flooding in Monroe County occurs near areas around several rivers that traverse the county, and along the Lake Erie Shoreline. The rivers are the River Raisin and its tributaries, the Huron River and Plum Creek. Communities that are most affected by flooding of these rivers include Dundee Township, the Village of Dundee, Raisinville Township, Monroe Charter Township, Frenchtown Charter Township and the City of Monroe. Bedford Township is generally more affected by urban flooding from runoff during heavy downpours. During heavy rain events Monroe County Emergency Management Division will issue flood warnings by notifying the local broadcast media.



Flooding in Bedford Township is generally not a problem unless your home is located in or near a 100-year flood plain. What many homeowners do not know is that standard homeowners' insurance policies do not cover damage caused by flooding.

Since 1981, Bedford has participated in the Federal Emergency Management Agency National Flood Insurance Program or NFIP. By participating in this program, nearly all homeowners in Bedford Township are eligible for flood insurance coverage through their insurance agents. In addition, because Bedford Township participates in FEMA's Community Rating System and adheres to stringent flood plain management practices, homeowners receive an automatic 10 percent discount in flood insurance premiums.

Through a study completed in 1981, FEMA identified many areas in the community that were susceptible to flooding. The flood boundaries are defined as 100 year and 500 hundred-year flood zones. The 100 year flood zone, or Zone A is an area along either side of a stream that will likely flood during a storm that would typically happen every 100 years. The 500-year flood zone is a much wider area that extends beyond the 100-year flood zone and would result from a storm that typically happens every five hundred years.

There may be existing homes in Bedford Township that are in a 100-year flood zone that do not have flood insurance. This could be because the home existed before Bedford's involvement with the NFIP. When these homes are sold or refinanced, the lending institutions are now required to determine if the home is in a 100-year flood plain. If it is, they must inform the homeowner or buyer that flood insurance is mandatory.

If a home is located in a 100-year flood zone there are protective measures than can be taken to flood proof the structure. Furnaces, water heaters, laundry appliance and electrical panel boxes should be relocated to an area that is not prone to flooding. In the basement, floor drains and interior and exterior backwater valves can be installed. It is also a good idea to keep valuable items out of flood prone areas or at least make them easily accessible if flooding is expected. In many cases, there will not be ample warning time to move essential items from the flood prone area, so you may want to permanently store them in another area.

When there is extensive urban runoff and small stream flooding there are several safety factors to keep in mind.

1. Pay close attention to special storm warnings issued by the national Weather Service.
2. Do not attempt to cross a flowing stream by foot or by car since undercurrents from fast moving water can knock you down or even move a large vehicle.
3. Do not allow children to go near flooded areas, ditches, culverts and storm drains.
4. If your vehicle stalls in high water abandon it immediately and move to higher ground.
5. Evacuate flood hazard areas in time of impending flood or when instructed to do so by emergency personnel.
6. Shut off electric circuits at the electrical panel. If this is not possible, disconnect all electrical appliances. Also, shut off all gas valves and water services in the home.

If you suspect that your home may be in a flood hazard area the Township maintains copies of the flood maps for all studied areas of the Township. Township personnel can assist you in reading the maps and provide you with instructions on what steps can be taken

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Notice To All Realtors, Builders & Property Owners

In accordance with Federal Emergency Management Agency requirements Bedford Township provides assistance in helping you determine whether parcels located in the Township are affected by flood plains. It is important that you take advantage of this service prior to offering any property for sale or for construction. If you need assistance or have any questions, please contact **Bedford Township** at **734-847-6791** from **8:00 a.m., to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday**.

VETERANS DAY THOUGHTS

Honor the dead by helping the living. The VFW, the American Legion and their Auxiliaries do just that. The service to God and our country is what matters. "Things are going OK, I see more courage in a day than I could ever have imagined before this. You inspire me to keep going out here. You've made it so much easier for me to see the big picture as I go through life. That service to God and others is what matters". Those were the words of Josh Byers, an Army Captain assigned to Fox Troop, 2nd Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry. This West Point graduate was killed when his convoy hit an explosive device east of Baghdad.



Remember when we were kids on Easter the girls would be all dressed up in new hats and pretty dresses... and us boys with new shoes and shirts and off to church we would go and after services come home to look for Easter Baskets. What good times. I hope God will bring me home so I may marry the girl I love, which will be in March if things go OK.

Then I can watch my kids get all dressed up and head for church and live that day over again. Holidays are no different than any other day here. Every day is Monday in Vietnam." Five days after writing this letter, Army Private Timothy Robinson of Hoyt Lakes, Minn., caught his foot in a trip wire, setting off a mine that killed him instantly. Final fond memories of loved ones back home and serving our Lord. There are thousands of stories like this, and they continue to grow in number.

Veterans Day was first observed to honor those who died in the war to end all wars, World War I. It was originally referred to as Armistice Day. It was intended to honor all those who served in the United States Armed Forces during this great conflict. Fighting ceased when a temporary cessation of hostilities went into effect between the Allied nations and Germany, at the eleventh hour, of the eleventh day, eleventh month in 1918.

The VFW and American Legion continue to honor and serve all who have served our nation. Let us remember all those who have honored us with their sacrifices. □

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to reduce the potential for flood damage. We also maintain a supply of informational pamphlets on flooding in the Zoning/Building Department. It is a violation of the Township Flood Plain Management Ordinance for any property owner to disturb any flood plain in Bedford Township without proper plans and permits.

Flood Plains & Water Quality

The storm water drainage system in southeast Michigan empties into Lake Erie. There is still a temptation for the backyard mechanic to pour waste oil into a storm drain. On the other hand, a homeowner may be tempted to rid their garages of old paint or garden chemicals by pouring them down the storm drain. The damage caused by these practices can be devastating to the environment.

Another important point to remember about our drainage system is that it must be able to flow freely. Uncontrolled vegetation and litter can clog a drain so that storm water backs up and causes more damage to surrounding properties upstream of the blockage. In an effort to help the drainage system functioning properly, we ask that any resident that witnesses dumping of any material into the drainage ditches notify the **Monroe County Drain Commissioners Pollution Hotline** at **734.240.3115**. □

Township Directory

Many people calling the township are finding that they reach a "menu" instead of the telephone receptionist. This is sometimes confusing, so in an effort to help you reach the correct person or department a list of names, titles, extension numbers and the department they work in is listed below. To reach Bedford Township offices and staff please call:

(734) 847-6791

and then the extension shown below.

SUPERVISOR'S DEPARTMENT

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BEDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARDS & COMMISSIONS 2010-2011 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Bedford Township Board	Meets 1 st and 3 rd Tuesday of each month
Beautification Committee	Meets 2 nd Thursday of each month
Board of Review	Meets in March and possibly in July & December
Board of Zoning Appeals	Meets 1 st Monday of each month
Cablevision Committee	Meets as needed
Economic Development Corporation	Meets 1 st Thursday of each month
Fire Commission	Meets 2 nd Tuesday of each month • Fire Station • 7016 Lewis Avenue
Bedford Library Board	Meets 4 th Monday of each month
Housing Commission	Meets 3 rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. • Ivor Lindsay • 8745 Lewis Avenue
Planning Commission	Meets 2 nd and 4 th Wednesday of each month
Park Commission	Meets 2 nd and 4 th Monday of each month
Downtown Development Authority	Meets 1 st Friday of each month at 3:00 p.m.
Temperance Action Committee (TAC)	Meets 1 st Monday of Each Month • Ivor Lindsay • 8745 Lewis Avenue
Lambertville Pride Committee	Meets 3 rd Monday of each month
Samaria Heritage Committee	Meets 2 nd Tuesday of each month • Samaria Hall (Park) at 6:30 p.m.

- **All** meeting times are at **7:00 p.m.** unless otherwise stated.
- **All** meetings are held in compliance with the **Open Meetings Act of 1976**. Meetings are normally held at the **Bedford Township Hall - 8100 Jackman Road - Temperance, MI 48182** unless otherwise indicated. Meetings are subject to change of date, time and place, pending notification.
- The **Library Advisory Board** meetings are held at the **Bedford Township Branch - Monroe County Library System - 8575 Jackman Road - Temperance, MI 48182**.
- **Bedford Township Housing Commission** meetings are held at the offices of the **Ivor J. Lindsay Senior Housing Complex - 8745 Lewis Avenue - Temperance, MI 48182**.
- The **Township of Bedford** will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids and services for individuals with disabilities attending Township meetings upon one week's notice to the Township of Bedford. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township of Bedford in writing. *Please address all correspondence to: Walt Wilburn, Supervisor - 8100 Jackman Road - P. O. Box H - Temperance, MI 48182.* You may also contact **Supervisor, Walt Wilburn** by calling **(734) 847-6791, ext.121**.

Township Board Meetings are broadcast on Buckeye Cable Channel 11 or 7 with a box the Wednesday after the meeting at 9:00 a.m. and the following Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Bedford Township Image Committee

P. O. Box H • 8100 Jackman Road
Temperance, Michigan 48182



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